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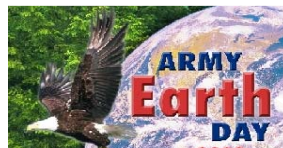
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Count On It - Inventories Are A Must!

When was the last time that DPW-Environmental got a copy of your unit's hazardous material inventory? Last year, less than 5% of units turned in inventories. That inventory is a pretty valuable tool – with information from your inventory, we can save money, track hazmat, verify data and protect our environment. Wow! All from just your inventory!

We save money by buying in bulk; which only happens if we know what you use. And, we save money by keeping units from buying stuff they can't have. Units and activities also need to *procure for use*, meaning that you **only buy what you need** for about a week or two, not for a month or two. Tracking hazmat is also something that we work hard at. Ft. Hood is required to track hazmat that comes on post; from cradle to grave. It's really important that Ft. Hood knows what's here, where it's at, and when it's used.

There's a few different ways to get hazmat; through your Service and Support Activity (SARSS), DPW HazMart (Supply2K), and special orders (through HazMart). Those systems talk to each other in the Hazardous Substance Management System (HSMS). The best way to make sure HSMS is working right is if units turn in inventories. We also use the information you send in to show that there's a demand for more environmentally friendly products. If you need help setting up your inventory or for general questions, call Mike Clark at 287-8711 or Tanicha Avila at 288-5262.



Go Ahead, Show Us What You *Really* Think

You've heard about Earth Day, we've been celebrating it since it started back in 1970. But what do you really think about it? Create the 2004 Ft. Hood Earth Day logo and tell us what you think about Ft. Hood and Earth Day. Give Joanie Cook a call at 288-5284 for details and to submit your logo by 26 March.

Complainin' never got 'er done, boss —

Are you ever frustrated about environmental regulations? Do you want to be more involved in the 'Big Picture' - regulations, policies, and issues affecting Ft. Hood? Then come to the Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) on 30 April from 1300 to 1500. It's in the Remagen Room on the first floor of III Corps Headquarters. Everyone is invited, especially Soldiers, so give Jeff Basile a call at 286-6664 for more information.

If your unit is deploying, please call Keith White at 288-5264 to get your parts washer picked up – don't take it to the desert with you!

If cold MREs are your meal of choice,



There's another step you need to know about. Those handy Flameless Ration Heaters that you "just add water" ... well, they can become hazardous waste. You know what happens when those things get wet, so just imagine what would happen if a whole bunch of unused heaters made their way into the landfill. So what's a cold cheese tortellini eater to do? If that heater's not used, just turn it into the Classification Unit, 288-7627. They'll take your heaters and dispose of them properly.

Upcoming Training:

Unit Environmental Training:
20 April at Howze Auditorium,
0900 to 1130

Environmental Compliance
Assistant: 26 April at the SDC,
0900 to 1630

ECO Annual Refresher: 28 April
at the SDC, 1300 to 1630

ECO Course: 22-26 March at
the SDC, 0900-1630

[Call 287-8755 for more details](tel:287-8755)

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